REMARKS

I. Introduction

At the outset, Applicant wishes to express appreciation to Examiner Marsh for determining that the subject application contains patentiable subject matter.

In response to the Office Action, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration based on the above claim amendments and the following remarks. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance.

II. Status of the Application

Claims 1, 3 and 6-22 are pending in the subject application. Claims 15-18 are allowed Claims 1, 3, 6-14 and 19-22 stand rejected. In the present Amendment, claims 1, 3, 6-17 and 19-21 have been amended.

MI. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Official Action provided that "[t]he prior art does not disclose an installation tool that is capable of providing the installation force to the bushing while the cable is protruding from the wall as claimed in independent claim 15." Without acquiescing to any of the rejections or other statements asserted in the Official Action and expressly reserving the right to further address such rejections and/or statements in the future, Applicant has herein amended independent claims 1 and 10 to clarify that when the engagement projections are inserted into the corresponding installation holes in the head portion and an installation force is applied to the installation tool, the installation tool imparts the installation force to the head portion while the cable protrudes through the passageway. Independent claim 19 has been amended to clarify that the action of "inserting engagement protrusions into the cavities in the head portion of the bushing and simultaneously applying a rotational force to the engagement

protrusions" causes the bushing to be screwed into the hole in the structure while a portion of the cable protrudes from the passageway. Accordingly, Applicant submits that claims 1, 3, 6-14 and 19-22 are in condition for allowance for the same reasons that claims 15-18 were deemed allowable.

IV. Conclusion

Applicant submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, reconsideration and passage to allowance of the subject application at an early date are earnestly solicited. If the undersigned can be of assistance in advancing the subject application to allowance, the Examiner may contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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